

YGC (Ymgyngghoriaeth Gwynedd Consultancy) is a multidisciplinary consultancy, providing innovative and sustainable solutions to meet the planning, design, and project delivery needs of the infrastructure & transport, property & building, environment and water & coastal sectors. Operating as a commercial entity within Gwynedd Council, we are the largest local authority run consultancy in Wales working with an extensive and varied list of clients, both in the public and private sector.

YGC aim to meet its obligations set by Gwynedd Council whilst putting the residents of the county central to all that we do.

YGC is committed to satisfying all compliance obligations, including stakeholder and client requirements, to protect the environment and to prevent pollution.

To help us achieve our aims and meet our commitments senior management have invested resources to establish and maintain a Environmental Management System aligned with BS EN ISO 14001:2015. This systematic approach to environmental management provides YGC with information to build success over the long term and create options for contribution to sustainable development by:

- **Protecting the environment by preventing or mitigating adverse environmental impacts of projects during design input and**
- **Through the selection and management of competent suppliers and contractors.**
- **Mitigating the potential adverse effect of environmental conditions on YGC.**
- **Fulfilling compliance obligations.**
- **Enhancing environmental performance.**
- **Controlling our design of structures, buildings and roads for our clients by adopting a life-cycle perspective.**
- **Achieving financial and operational benefits to our clients that can result from implementing environmentally sound alternatives.**
- **Communicating environmental information to relevant interested parties.**

YGC are committed to adopting these principles and to continually improve the management system and reduce our impact on the environment.

YGC will establish environmental objectives which are measureable and relevant to our activities and the services that we provide.

Through sound leadership at all levels and effective communication with our stakeholders YGC will deliver the principles and goals of this policy.

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